

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

(date filled 3/2/79)

1. Name: Mahlon T. Lewis House
2. Planning Area/Site Number: 18/8/3 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 6
Boyds HD Coordinate H-15
4. Address: 19927 White Grounds Road
Boyds, Maryland 20720
5. Classification Summary
- | | |
|---|--|
| Category <u>building</u> | Previous Survey Recording <u>MNCPPC</u> |
| Ownership <u>private</u> | Title and Date: <u>Inventory of Historical</u> |
| Public Acquisition <u>N/A</u> | <u>Sites; 1976</u> |
| Status <u>unoccupied/work in progress</u> | |
| Accessible <u>no</u> | Federal <u> </u> State <u>x</u> County <u>x</u> Local <u> </u> |
| Present use <u>private residence</u> | |
6. Date: 1875 7. Original Owner: Mahlon T. Lewis
8. Apparent Condition
- a. excellent b. altered c. original site
9. Description: This three bay by one bay, two and a half story frame house, sits on the southwest side of White Grounds Road facing northeast. This L-shape frame house has white novelty siding. The northeast porch has a shed roof supported by four square wooden columns. On the southeast elevation there is a two story porch, enclosed at first level and open at second level. There are two-over-two double-hung windows flanked by black wooden louvered shutters. The cross gable roof has black asbestos shingles.
10. Significance: This house is the single, remaining home built by the three founders of Boyds, Maryland - James A. Boyd, James E. Williams and Mahlon T. Lewis. These three, together with Benjamin C. Gott founded the Boyds Presbyterian Church and were original elders and trustees.
- In 1875 Mahlon Lewis bought 1 3/4 acres of land from James E. and Sarah Williams and built this house. He and James Williams were joint owners of the general store in Boyds and also extensive property owners. Lewis' heirs sold the property in 1912. The present owners bought it in 1964.
11. Researcher and date researched: Margaret Coleman Candy Reed
Arch. Description
12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman 13. Date Compiled: 8/79 14. Designation
Approval
15. Acreage: . 57 acres

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Mahlon T. Lewis house

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

19927 White Grounds Road

CITY, TOWN

Boyds

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

— DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

— STRUCTURE

— SITE

— OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

— PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

— BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

— IN PROCESS

— BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

— OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

☒ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

— YES RESTRICTED

— YES UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

— AGRICULTURE

— COMMERCIAL

— EDUCATIONAL

— ENTERTAINMENT

— GOVERNMENT

— INDUSTRIAL

— MILITARY

— MUSEUM

— PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

— RELIGIOUS

— SCIENTIFIC

— TRANSPORTATION

— OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

H.J. and L.R. Lutz

Telephone #: (301)428-0647

STREET & NUMBER

230 Old Bucklodge Lane

CITY, TOWN

Boyds

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20720

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Montgomery County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Liber #: 4628

Folio #: 851

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

MNCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE

1976

— FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☒ COUNTY ☒ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
 SURVEY RECORDS

Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN

Derwood

STATE

Maryland 20855

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located on the southwest side of the road where Clopper Road makes a right angle turn and becomes White Grounds Road, the Mahlon T. Lewis house is a late nineteenth-century frame structure. Facing northeast and built upon fieldstone foundations, this two-and-a-half story L-plan house has novelty siding and a cross gable roof with boxed eaves. The roof is covered by raised seam metal and there are two stove chimneys.

The house is three bays across and one bay deep. There is a porch across the northeast (front) of the house. This porch has a poured concrete base, its pent roof is supported by four square wooden columns. The front door is surmounted by a two-light transom. A two story porch, enclosed at the ground level and open at the second floor, is located on the southeast side of the house. On the northwest side of the house is a two story three-sided bay window. Windows throughout the house are double hung two-over-two lights flanked by louvered wooden shutters. At the peak of the cross gables on the northeast (front) facade is a round, four light window. A two-and-a-half story turret is on the east side.

The house has been renovated within the past five years to make two apartments. The original central hall has been changed but the rest of the first floor remains much as it was originally.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

1875

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is the single remaining home built by the three founders of Boyds, Maryland. Homes of the other two, James A. Boyd and James E. Williams, have been destroyed. These men, together with Benjamin C. Gott, founded the Boyds Presbyterian Church as well as the town, and were original elders and trustees. Lewis is listed as the second elder, serving from 1877-1912, the first Clerk of Session, 1877-1900, and the fourth trustee listed, 1878-1912.¹ The church has stained glass windows with memorial plaques; the Mahlon Thomas Lewis and Georgiana Milstead Lewis window is on the pastor's right.

Mahlon T. Lewis was born in Clarksburg in 1834, son of Edward and Mary A. (King) Lewis. For a time he taught school, then became a store clerk in 1856, joining the firm of Claggett, Newton, May and Company, located at the corner of 9th and Pennsylvania Streets in Washington, D.C. In 1860 he became a clerk in Clarksburg, and went into partnership with William J. Neil to buy the business, selling his interest in 1872 to Alonzo Sellman. In 1873 he joined James E. Williams in store ownership at Boyds.²

In 1875 Lewis bought 1 3/4 acres of "Gum Spring" and "Hopewell" from James E. and Sara Williams.³ He married a widow, Georgiana (Milstead) Moriarty, and had two children, J. Frank and Georgiana.⁴ In 1920 his children, together with James Norpiss, Georgiana's husband, sold the property to Clarence M. Griffith,⁵ minus 2817 square feet sold in 1912 to George Coberth.⁶

The house passed through a series of owners until the present owners bought the property in 1964 for \$9,000 from the National Bank of Maryland; the previous owner had defaulted on the mortgage. The present owners divided the large house into two apartments.

FOOTNOTES:

1. Vail, Earle L., The Presbyterian Church at Boyd's Station. Presbyterian Church, Boyds, Maryland, 1976; pp. 50, 51, 52.
2. Portrait and Biographical Record of the Sixth Congressional District, Maryland; pp. 770-771.
3. Land Records of Montgomery County, Md., EBP 14/85 (1875).
4. Portrait and Biographical Record, pp. 770-771.
5. Land Records, Op. Cit., 5300/468 (1920).
6. Ibid., 230/243 (1912).

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Montgomery County, Md.
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Vail, Earle L., The Presbyterian Church at Boyd's Station. Presbyterian
 Church, Boyds, Md. 1976.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .57 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Northwest corner of sharp curve of White Grounds Road, about a quarter mile south of the intersection with Clopper Road, at Boyds.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Margaret M. Coleman

Candy Reed

Architectural Description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

July 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

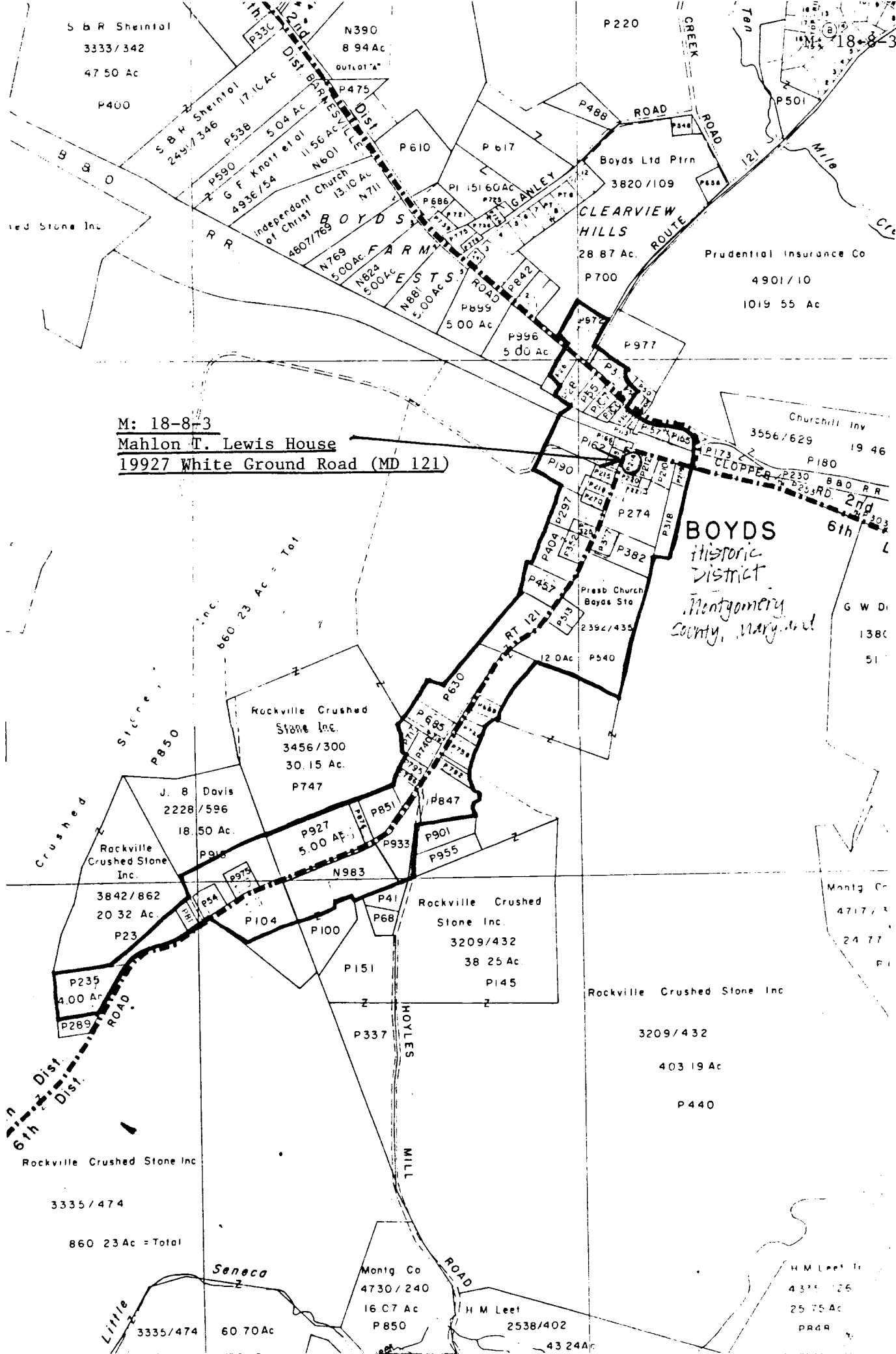
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Maryland 20753

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438



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BOYDS
Historic
District
Montgomery
County, Maryland

Rockville Crushed Stone Inc
3335/474
860 23 Ac = Total

Rockville Crushed Stone Inc
3209/432
403 19 Ac
P440

Montg Co
4730/240
16 C7 Ac
P850
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2538/402
43 24 Ac

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4375/126
25 75 Ac
P849

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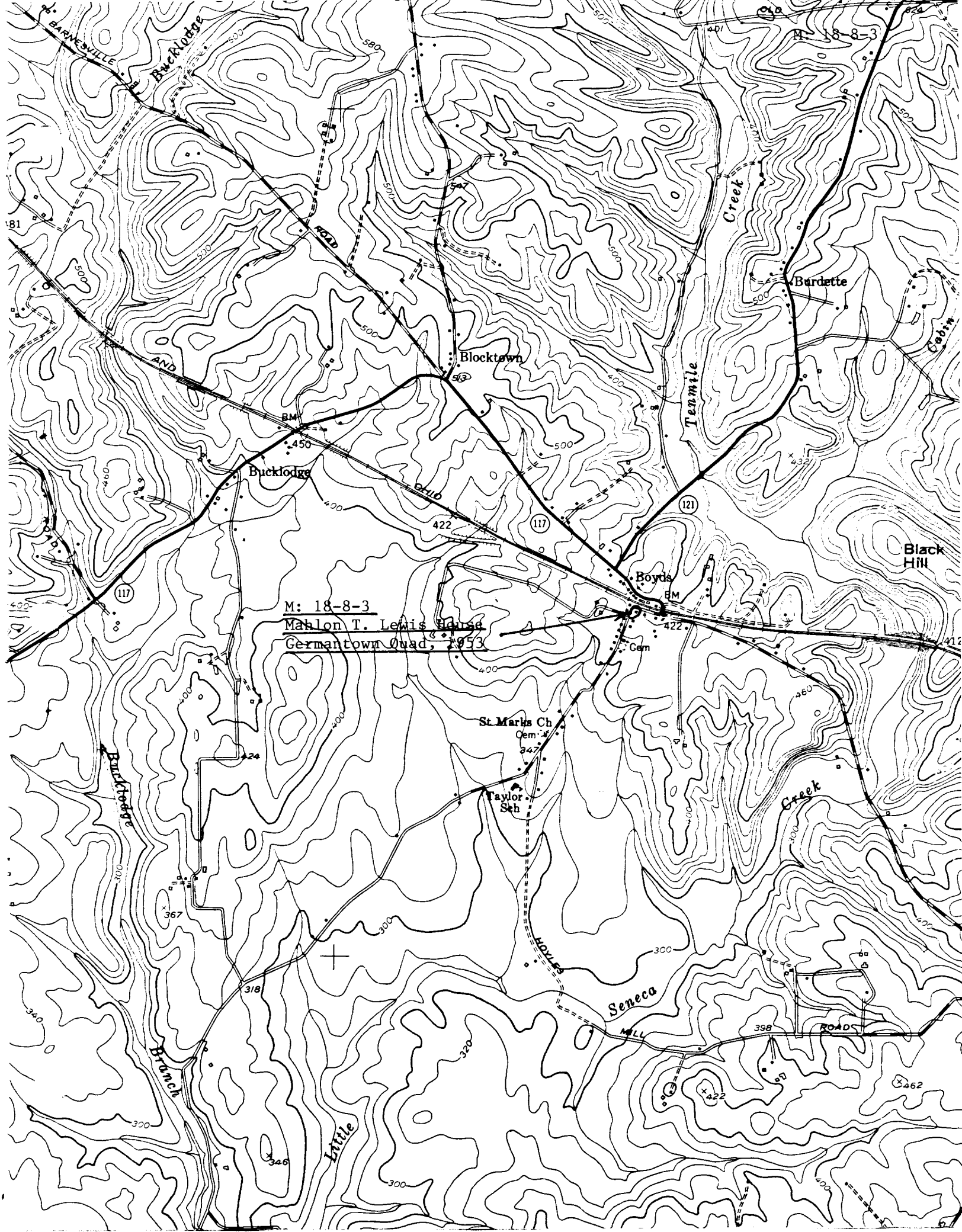
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Scale 1 1/4 Inches to a Mile



Note: The Figures on the Roads represent the Distance in Rods from junctions.

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